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SUBJ: PROPOSED LATIN AMERICAN SHIPPING VENTURE

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1. EMBASSY DOUBTS THAT BAHAMAS IS AMONG 17 CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES WHICH WOULD COMPRISE THE MULTINATONAL SHIPPING ORGANIZATION PROPOSED BY MEXICO. EMBASSY IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFTEL A HAS NOT RAISED ISSUE DIRECTLY WITH MINEXTAFF BUT ACCORDING TO CONTACTS IN MINFIN AND THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION, THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BAHAMAS IS NOT INVOLVED NOR INDEED ARE THEY AWARE OF THE

## PROPOSED LATIN AMERICAN SHIPPING VENTURE.

2. THE BAHAMAS IS CURRENTLY PROCEEDING WITH ITS PLANS TO MAKE THE BAHAMIAN FLAG AVAILABLE AS A FLAG OF CONVENIENCE FOR INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING INTERESTS. THE EMBASSY BELIEVES IT IS HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT GCOB WOULD BE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THE MEXICAN INITIATED SHIPPING VENTURE. THE BAHAMAS PURPOSE IS TO ATTRACT FOREIGN SHIPPING TO THE CARIBBEAN WHILE THE MEXICAN PROPOSAL HAS THE OPPOSITE OBJECTIVE. WEISS

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